

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Heinz METZGER : PATENT

Serial No.: 10/562,159 : Art Unit: 3677

Filed: December 23, 2005 : Examiner: D. C. Reese

For: THREADED RING

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the May 18, 2009 final Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows: